

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 974

Introduced by Assembly Member Nunez

February 18, 2005

An act to add Section 25214.5 to the Public Resources Code, and to add Section 311.7 to the Public Utilities Code, relating to energy resources.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 974, as introduced, Nunez. Energy resources: State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission: Public Utilities Commission.

Existing law establishes the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission in the Resources Agency, and also establishes the Public Utilities Commission. Existing law requires the meetings of both commissions to be open and public.

This bill would require both of these commission to meet, in joint session, at least once per month in order to discuss the state's electrical transmission system. The bill would require these meetings to be open and public. The bill would also require both of these commissions to invite the members of the Board of Governors of California ISO to attend these meetings.

The bill would require each of these commissions to report, in writing, to the chairpersons of the Assembly Committee on Utilities and Commerce and the Senate Committee on Energy, Utilities and Communications, the findings and conclusions they develop in the meetings held pursuant to the bill. These reports would be due on July 1 and December 31 of each year.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 25214.5 is added to the Public Resources Code, to read:

25214.5. (a) The commission shall meet, in joint session, with the Public Utilities Commission at least once per month in order to discuss the state's electrical transmission system. All meetings held pursuant to this section shall be open and public in accordance with Article 9 (commencing with Section 11120) of Chapter 1 of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code. The commission shall invite the members of the Board of Governors of California ISO to attend the meetings held pursuant to this section.

(b) The commission shall report, in writing, to the chairpersons of the Assembly Committee on Utilities and Commerce and the Senate Committee on Energy, Utilities and Communications, the findings and conclusions it develops in the meetings held pursuant to this section. The commission shall submit these reports to the chairpersons on July 1 and December 31 of each year.

SEC. 2. Section 311.7 is added to the Public Utilities Code, to read:

311.7. (a) The commission shall meet, in joint session, with the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission at least once per month in order to discuss the state's electrical transmission system. All meetings held pursuant to this section shall be open and public in accordance with Article 9 (commencing with Section 11120) of Chapter 1 of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code. The commission shall invite the members of the Board of Governors of California ISO to attend the meetings held pursuant to this section.

(b) The commission shall report, in writing, to the chairpersons of the Assembly Committee on Utilities and Commerce and the Senate Committee on Energy, Utilities and Communications, the findings and conclusions it develops in the meetings held pursuant to this section. The commission shall submit these reports to the chairpersons on July 1 and December 31 of each year.

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